

THE CITY OF PORTSMOUTH NEWS AND ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE FRESHEST LOCAL MENTION.

Matters Personal And General In And Around Portsmouth.

HEARD ON THE STREETS.

Gossip And Events In Which Our People Are Interested, Chronicled In Concise Form—A Daily Diary Of Happenings Presented To Our Readers Fresh Every Morning—Snap Shots Of Our Busy City.

Mary E. Eure, Pinky Ann Brown and Lizzie Walker, three white women, were before Justice Matthews, of the county, yesterday for fighting. They were committed to jail in default of a fine.

Mr. B. F. Cattenhead appeared before Mayor Baird yesterday and stated that he had received satisfaction in the recent case, and would like to have the same dropped. The Mayor acquiesced in the matter.

All candidates who fail to serve the Clerk of the Court a notice of their intentions to run at the coming election on the 24th instant by to-morrow, will be debarred from running.

Justice Peed yesterday sentenced the negro woman, Mag White, who charged another woman to jail for six months in both cases. She will have a year to serve.

A few home-raised strawberries were offered for sale yesterday in the market at twenty-five cents a quart.

The Commercial office building will be ready for occupancy by June 1st.

The School Board will hold their regular monthly meeting to-morrow night.

The funeral of Mr. and Mrs. Owen O'Connor's little daughter, Margaret Estelle, was conducted from the residence in Brighton yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. Father Brady. Interment was in St. Paul's Catholic Cemetery.

The two clubs will cross bats in Portsmouth again to-day.

The minister, from across quite a crowd yesterday afternoon.

Rev. Mr. Hines' meeting at Park View Baptist Church is increasing in interest.

Justice Bunting yesterday sent Fred Miller to jail for one year for an assault on Lena Davis.

Miss Nannie Riddick, of Nansemond county, is in the city on a visit to relatives.

The crowd that went to Norfolk yesterday to see the ball game was small compared to that of Monday.

The Madison Hotel has closed business. Arrangements are being made by another party to reopen it again.

Twelve thousand dollars was the amount paid for liquor licenses in Norfolk county in two days. One-third of this amount goes to the public schools of the county.

The Norfolk County Court has adjourned to-day.

Mrs. Emily Atkinson is quite sick at the home of her niece in Nansemond county.

Workmen were engaged yesterday in pulling down the old dilapidated shanty in the Bowery. It will be replaced by a modern building.

Mr. Sam E. Hope, a former citizen, but now a resident of Botetourt county, is in the city. Mr. Hope is a delegate to the State Convention.

There was no docket in the Mayor's Court yesterday.

The Hustings Court will begin the May term to-day. There will be a grand jury.

The entertainment at Mrs. Irene Ethridge's will take place to-night at 8:15 o'clock. Fine talent will be there.

Mr. James Y. Armenshaw, a prominent member of the bar from Mobile, Ala., is in the city. He attended the convention in Norfolk yesterday and met quite a number of old ex-Confederates. He is a most excellent gentleman.

A slight fire occurred in a colored house on Columbia street yesterday morning about 1 o'clock. It was put out without burning in an alarm. The damage was comparatively nothing.

The funeral of Mr. C. E. Culpepper will take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock from his late residence on Court street.

It is said that the oil fuel on the torpedo boat worked very satisfactorily on Tuesday.

Hon. George C. Cabell and wife, of Danville, are visiting relatives in the city.

Rev. E. H. Rawlings will return from Marshall, Tenn., to-day, where he has been for several days on business.

Rev. Dr. D. C. Rankin, of Nashville, Tenn., was in the city yesterday.

Mr. S. B. Gills, the newsdealer, still continues ill at his home on High street.

Primrose & Dockstader's Minstrels gave a creditable performance last night under a tent at the foot of Court street to a large audience. Neither Dockstader or Primrose were in the show, much to the dissatisfaction of those who went there to see them.

Fish are biting nicely at Port Norfolk. One gentleman pulled in twenty-five nice ones yesterday afternoon.

Quite a number of people went over to the convention last night.

The meeting at the Park M. E. Church is growing in interest. Services will be held nightly.

The remains of Clayton Curtis, son of Richard Curtis, were brought over from Norfolk yesterday afternoon and were interred in Oak Grove Cemetery.

Mr. James Walters is quite sick at his home in Brighton with pneumonia.

The Chambers Fire Company elect officers to-night for the next year, beginning July 1.

The members of Chambers Fire Company are requested to attend the annual meeting of the company this evening at 8 o'clock, as the election of officers will take place.

A good barber can secure employment by referring to our advertising column.

EVENTS TO-DAY.

Chambers Steam Fire Company, volunteer firemen.

Portsmouth Rifles, Virginia Volunteers.

Farquhar Post No. 1, G. A. R.

Jefferson Lodge No. 21, I. O. O. F.

John W. Daniel Club, polo: real.

Order Lodge No. 33, I. O. O. F.

Portsmouth Council No. 15, I. O. O. F.

Peabody Council No. 106, Jr. O. U. A. 21.

Wilson Lodge No. 95, O. of G. C.

Joseph H. Plunkett Council No. 473, E. B. L.

BRIDE AND GROOM

Given An Infair In Royalty Saturday Night.
(From Daily Journal, Middleton, Pa., May 1st.)

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McPherson, of Portsmouth, Va., are celebrating a wedding tour, embracing a trip to a number of Northern cities. At present they are at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James McPherson, on Juniata street, Royalty, and Saturday evening in their honor an infair was held, which will doubtless be remembered among the most enjoyable periods spent on the trip. Music was furnished by George Rife and son Gerie.

At 10:30 o'clock the company was invited to the dining-room, where a table was laden with the luxuries of the season, and prepared in a way that showed Mr. McPherson is a caterer of no inconsiderable ability.

The groom is well-known here. He is traveling salesman for Nelson, Morris & Co., of Chicago, and is in charge of the Southern district. The bride is one of the well-known society ladies of Portsmouth. They intend leaving for Baltimore about Wednesday and from there go to Norfolk by water. The bride and groom are receiving many congratulations and the well wishes of friends and acquaintances while here.

These were present: Joseph McPherson and wife, Portsmouth, Va.; D. A. Roush and wife, Mrs. Wm. Laird, Mrs. Lizzie Engles, Mrs. Mollie Vanviper, George Bankus and wife, of Harrisburg; Addison Hamley and lady friend, W. H. Gungrich and lady friend, Christian Laft family, Sam. Beckey and family, Yeaman Mattie, James Duncanson, Miss Mary Mattie, Pearly Lydia and Dorothy Gotwalt, Elmer Stipe, Adam and Eddie Hickernell, Geo. A. Rehner, Robert Dougherty, Bessie Gundy, Edna Bearid, Jacob Burns, of Royalty.

THE CATHOLIC BAZAAR.

The Catholic Bazaar will be opened this evening at Maupin's Hall for the benefit of the building fund of St. Paul's Catholic Church. The ladies have numerous handsome articles to dispose of—a handsome Singer machine, lot at Ocean View, Bagdad couch cover, arm chair, some fine silver plate, beautiful water-color picture, Venetian scene, etc. Some of the best talent of Norfolk will assist in the concert. Miss Blanche Hecht, who made such a favorable impression in "Princess Donnie," Mr. Womersley, Mr. James Duncanson, Mr. Hugh Steele, Prof. James Casey, and a fine quartette will render the evening memorable. Cake and cream will be served during the evening.

GOES INTO EFFECT ON 15TH.

The new order concerning workingmen absenting themselves from the yard goes into effect on May 15th.

A card will be issued, and any one wanting leave to make application, state for what purpose they want to be absent, the same must be approved by the Commandant before they can go, and if absent more than thirty days in one year they will be discharged.

NAVAL ORDERS.

The following naval orders have been issued:

Surgeon T. A. Berryhill is detached from the Monongahela and ordered home to await orders.

Passed Assistant Surgeon W. M. Wheeler is detached from the Kearsarge and ordered to duty on the Vermont.

Passed Assistant Surgeon G. H. Baker is detached from the Kearsarge and ordered to the Monongahela.

Lieut. W. V. Powelson is assigned to duty at the Naval Academy.

Lieut. W. P. Brotherton is detached from the Marblehead and ordered to duty on the Solace for passage to the Asiatic station.

Passed Assistant Paymaster E. W. Bonaffon is ordered to proceed home and await orders.

ON STRIKE.

Yesterday morning a number of carpenters who were employed by C. C. Johnson & Bro. to work on the Irwin building struck because he had employed a man who was not a member of the Union. They demanded that Mr. Johnson discharge the man, else they would refuse to work. Mr. Johnson stated to them that they could not do the work he had for them to do, and that the man he had employed could, but if they would bring him a Union man to take his place he would put him on. This they failed to do, and Mr. Johnson kept the non-union man employed.

PUBLIC MEETING.

Mr. D. Douglas Wilson, international vice-president and editor of the monthly journal of the International Association of Machinists, arrived in the city last night via the Chesapeake and Ohio railway from Washington, D. C., and is stopping at Brown's Hotel.

Mr. Wilson is a strong and forcible speaker, and all who attend the public meeting he will address to-night will be amply repaid for the effort made in coming to the meeting. The place of meeting will be decided on to-day and will be announced by hand bills, etc.

GRAND JURORS.

The following grand jurors have been summoned to the Hustings Court, which meet to-day at 10 o'clock:

P. Nash, Edward Powell, T. J. Morecock, Lloyd M. Parlin, H. N. B. Ellnor, M. W. Allan, I. C. Brinkley, George Beatty, G. R. Grant and E. V. White. There are three cases to come before them.

NOONDAY MARRIAGE.

Mr. John F. Launson, of Goldsboro, N. C., and Miss Minnie Russ were married at noon yesterday at the residence of Mrs. White, on Edinboro street.

Rev. J. W. Mitchell performed the ceremony. They left at 2 p. m., via N. & C. Road for Goldsboro.

Nervous Headache Cured.

Speedily. No danger by Hick's Capudine. 15 and 25c, at drug stores.

This Is For You.

Special offers to get a home to navy-yard and naval men who cannot afford to pay cash for a lot. Or any one who really wants a home. If you want a lot or any property we have it. Call or address us for terms.

THE SEABOARD REAL ESTATE COMPANY.

Room 201, No. 214 High street.

Chas. R. Welton & Co. have removed to 203 High street, Noah's Ark's old stand.

COMMODORE PHILIP.

A QUERY ANSWERED.

Cherry, Va., May 1, 1900.

Editor Virginian-Pilot.

Portsmouth, Va.: Sir,—can't you inform your subscriber, in your Portsmouth local, something about the great Street Fair that was to have taken place in your city in the early part of May. As there are many inquiries about it I thought I would write to you for some information on the subject.

Respectfully,

A SUBSCRIBER.

In answer to the above we will state that before the time for the Carnival to take place the company with whom the Elks made a contract went to pieces, consequently the fair had to be abandoned.

ELECTRIC LIGHT POLE FALLS.

An accident which came very near being serious occurred Tuesday at noon on the corner of Columbia and Crawford streets. Workmen were engaged in erecting one of the poles for the underground telephone system in a trench, and attached a guy rope to an electric pole, which served for the double purpose of lighting Crawford street and holding fire-alarm wires. No sooner had a strain been placed on the rope the pole broke at the base and toppled over across Crawford street. Fortunately there was no one on the pole at the time, and no people passing. Thus a serious accident was averted.

COLORADO ODD FELLOWS.

The Committee of Arrangements of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows having completed its work, a thanksgiving service will be celebrated.

Next Sunday the order will attend divine services at Zion's Baptist Church at 11 o'clock a. m., and the lodge will form on Edinboro street at 10:30 o'clock and march to the church in a body. The members of the Households of Ruth, Nos. 33 and 51, will assemble in the lecture-room at 10:45 a. m. to welcome the brethren of the order to the sacred temple.

ELOPEMENT.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. Henry Russell, of South Portsmouth, and Miss Nannie L. Johnson, daughter of C. C. Johnson, went to Elizabeth City, where they were united in marriage. They will return to-day and will reside in South Portsmouth.

FUNERAL OF MRS. LOOMIS.

The funeral of Mrs. Loomis took place yesterday afternoon from Central Church. The services were conducted by Rev. R. F. Beales, after which the remains were taken to Oak Grove Cemetery for interment.

ARMY ORDERS.

GENERAL MERRITT TO RETIRE—GENERAL BROOKE ASSIGNED.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)

Washington, D. C., May 2.—Two important orders were issued by the War Department to-day. One granted Major-General Wesley Merritt, commanding the Military Department of the East, leave of absence from the 10th instant, with permission to go abroad. The other assigned Major-General J. R. Brooke to the command of the Department of the East, with headquarters at Governor's Island, N. Y., to take effect on the 10th instant.

On that date General Merritt virtually terminates his active connection with the military establishment, for his leave of absence extends beyond June 16 next, on which date he will retire from the army by operation of law on account of age. His retirement will make a vacancy in the list of major-generals which, it is generally conceded, will be filled by the promotion of General E. S. Otis, commanding the troops in the Philippines, who is the ranking brigadier-general in the regular establishment. His promotion will not affect General Brooke's assignment to the command of the Department of the East. General Otis' future duties will not be determined until after he has arrived in Washington and conferred with the President.

It is understood that General Merritt applied for leave of absence in advance of his retirement in order that he might accompany Mrs. Merritt and a party of friends on a tour of the Continent this summer.

EFFECT OF WAR ON NAMES.

Among the innocent victims of a war are the children born during its progress who are condemned to carry through life names commemorating the commanders and their battles. The American children were rather lucky, inasmuch as Dewey, Manila and Havana, the favorite names, are euphonious. But what of the luck of the babies born in Britain? The London Graphic investigated the parish registers and found some horrible names fastened upon infants. Two named Majuba had about the prettiest of all, and the prophet who anticipated history by calling his little girl Pretoria gave her a name that does not grate harshly upon the ear. There were in his name Bloemfontein, Jacobsdorp, Paderberg and Elandslaagte, who will probably be nicknamed "Bloom," "Jake," "Perry," and who will have much trouble spelling their names whenever they wish to have goods sent home. The favorite names of generals were Powell and White, which are not so bad. Roberts is a popular name for girls, and is known as Robertina. A few months old is known as Robertina. A few months old is known as Robertina. A few months old is known as Robertina.

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Price 50 cents per bottle. At all drug-gists, or sent for price, express paid, by Tyner Dyspepsia Remedy Co., 45 Mitchell street, Atlanta, Ga.

Send Five Cents in stamps, to pay postage, for sample, Free.

DIED.

CULPEPPER.—At his late residence, 908 Court street, Portsmouth, Va., May 1, 1900, at 4:40 o'clock p. m., CLAUDE P. CULPEPPER, aged 40 years, 10 months, 19 days.

Funeral services at the residence THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON at 3 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

ATTENTION CHAMBERS—THERE will be an annual meeting of the Company this evening at 8 o'clock. Every member is requested to be present. By order of the Foreman.

R. W. MURDEN, JR., Secretary.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE—No. 625 Jefferson street; 8 room house, with city water. Small cash payment, balance like rent. Reason for selling, party wishes to leave city. Apply on premises. my2-5t

FOR RENT—SEVEN-ROOM HOUSE on County street; water, sewerage, etc., only \$12. Apply to B. F. HOWELL, 208 Washington street. my1-2t

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The fortunate arrival of these reinforcements prevented the annihilation of the American force entrenched in the church, who had repeatedly declined to surrender when ordered to do so by the Filipinos.

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The ten survivors were without food, had little ammunition and were physically exhausted when relieved.

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The department is not informed as to the composition of this particular garrison, having only a rough statement from the commanding-general of the disposition of each regiment among certain islands, without particulars of the location of each company.

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These bands will be scattered throughout the island by means of scouts, who will carry the orders to govern concerted movements and all information concerning retreats, reinforcements, etc.

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